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Honorable Sir:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

Responsive to the Office Action dated November 20, 2002, the following is  
submitted:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel Claims 12, 13 and 17.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A rotary capping apparatus for applying screw-on type caps to  
containers, said apparatus comprising:
- a primary supporting frame having a plurality of vertical leg members;
  - a cap driver assembly including an inflatable gripping means for application of a  
predetermined torque to the screw-on type caps, said cap driver assembly being  
mechanically coupled to said capping head;
  - primary height adjusting means for imparting vertical movement to said capping  
head;
  - a driving means including a servomotor for transmitting a predetermined torque to  
said cap driver assembly, said driving means being mounted on said height adjusting  
means and mechanically coupled to said capping head;